

FLOWER VALLEY QUILT GUILD

A Monthly Publication

FVQG Monthly Meeting
Third Thursday 7 pm
Next Meeting: Jan. 15th
Zion Lutheran Church
123 Carson, Ferguson, MO

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Just a Reminder!

Remember to bring the following items to the next meeting:

- Nametag
- Money for Raffle Basket
- Optional Block

Teajuana's Tidbits

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I now feel like I have some "free" time to enjoy pursuing the things I enjoy. I've decided to change my sewing

I had a wonderful Christmas and hope you and your family did as well.

With all the activities I had planned for the holiday season,

studio to another room in the house.

The plan is to keep it free from clutter by storing stash and other items not needed on a daily basis elsewhere. I'm being optimistic as I've never had the neatest sewing studio, especially when compared to a few of my closest sewing buddies. I don't usually make New Year's resolutions but thought I'd give this one a try.

Happy New Year!

WORKSHOPS

Carol Peck E-Mail: peckc@umsl.edu Phone: 314-516-6359

Hand Quilting taught by Teresa Prosser - Cost \$20.00

Saturday, January 31st, 10am to Noon

Zion Lutheran Church - Upper room

Machine Quilting (machine-guided and free motion) taught by Drew Donnelly Benage

Saturday, February 7th, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Zion Lutheran Church - Upper room

Cost \$25.00

Supply list for both classes will be available at the January meeting, as will sign up sheets. Contact Carol Peck to sign up before the January meeting via e-mail (peckc@umsl.edu) or by phone (314/385-8210 home or 314/516-6359) after January 5th: you can leave a message at either number.

Business Meeting Minutes

Mary Lou Hogan, Secretary E-mail: irishchain1@yahoo.com

Minutes for December 18, 2008 meeting.

Our December meeting was a Christmas party with finger foods brought by members and beverages provided. Katy Van Winkle said the grace and everyone formed a line to eat at 6:45 PM.

At 7:30 PM, after eating, table numbers were called which allowed those sitting at the appointed tables to select their packets of 5" blocks. Three quilts were on the front table to show patterns that would be suitable for using the 5" blocks. While the selection of blocks was being done, Barb Bolesta went from table to table to demonstrate how to make coasters using folded squares.

Optional Blocks: Vickie Unger won 17 Christmas ornament blocks.

Raffle Basket: Karen Harting won the raffle basket which came from Satin Moon Quilt Shop in Victoria, British Columbia. There were many drawings for other prizes.

At 8:20 PM, Katy Van Winkle was the caller for several games of QULTO bingo. Sewing supplies were the prizes.

Membership: 47 members present, and 2 visitors.

Karen Harting, Mary Lou Hogan, and Joan Fink each won an attendance prize.

At 8:45 PM received a weather update.

There were 10 show and tell items and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Submitted by Mary Lou Hogan, Secretary
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Charity Quilts

Judi Linville Phone: 314-382-2535 or Vicki Unger E-Mail: rjunger@sbcglobal.net

Tie One for Charity in January

At the January meeting, we will be tying about half a dozen twin-sized quilts that were started last year for Voices for Children. We can also birth and tie any other charity quilt tops you want to bring that you have made. If you have a different size than twin, that's ok. We will find a recipient for it.

Bring any finished squares, tops, potential backing fabric or extra batting you have, plus any sewing supplies (measuring tape, pins, safety pins, thimbles, scissors, etc.) you might need. Batting or fabric for backing is available; contact Judi Linville with your tops finished size. Tapestry needles and yarn for tying will be furnished. If you have taken a top home to assemble squares, add borders or attach it to batting and backing, please bring it back to the January meeting.

We can use 2 or 3 sewing machines for stitching on borders, or attaching tops to batting and backing to birth the quilts. If you can bring a machine, please let either Judi Lindville (314/382-2535) or Vickie Unger (rjunger@sbcglobal.net) know before the meeting on January 15th. First come, first connected to a power strip!

Also please remember that working on Charity Quilts is a year-round project for our members. If you have ideas for new designs or recipients, please let us know.

First Thursdays

January 1st, February 5th,
March 5th, June 4th
and July 2, 2009

If you like to host a first Thursday in your home January, February, March, June, or July of 2009, contact Teajuana Mahone. 314/868-8209 or E-mail: teaquilts@teaquilts.com

April 2, 2009

April 2nd at 7pm
Hosted by: Wanths Ebker
1693 Kew Gardens Drive
Florissant, MO 63031
314/921-24329

May 7, 2009

May 7h at 7pm
Hosted by: Mary Ann Stabenow
440 Newport Drive
St. Peters, MO 63376
636/441-0331

Treasurer's Report

Sue Trommler, Treasurer 314-921-2162

Sue will present report to members verbally at the January meeting.

CHRISTMAS FABRIC 5" CHARM EXCHANGE

If you missed the December meeting due the weather and were unable to exchange your 5" Christmas fabric charms bring them to the January meeting to exchange. If you came to the December meeting and wished you had joined in on the fun after seeing all the great projects it's not to late, cut up some charms and bring them to the January meeting. **REMEMBER:** You must have twelve (12) 5" squares of *different* Christmas fabric in a ziplock bag with your name on it. You can bring any number of bags that you want, you will draw out as many bags as you bring.

Membership

**Sarah Carr- Jordan, E-mail: sjc9@sbcglobal.net &
Norma Silk, E-mail: nfcms@aol.com**

Forty-seven members were present.



Guest Speakers

Vicki Unger, Vice President
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January

Charity Quilts

February

Connie Chunn

Mini Quilts

Rescheduled from November

March

To be announced



January Birthdays

Kathy Fairbanks Jan 6

Kathy Parks Jan 16

Judi Linville Jan 21

Ruth Litteken Jan 22

Laura Hulsey Jan 27

JoAnn Van Deven Jan 28

UFO Projects

Just a reminder that January is UFO month. Dust off those projects that were started prior to January 2006 and get them finished in time for the meeting. Maybe your New Years resolution could be to finish one or more UFOs in 2009.

QUILTER WANTED

Keli Weseman, a friend of Laura Hulsey, is looking for someone to take her wedding dress and a maid of honor dress and make them into a quilt. If interested please contact Keli via phone (636-368-2236) or e-mail (keli4469@yahoo.com)

UFO Days & Jamestown Quilters

Contact Theresa Prosser (921-0855) for additional information

Jamestown Quilters

Every 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursdays

6:30 - 9 p.m.

Jamestown Bluff Library

Work on any hand-sewing projects.

UFO Days

Lois Carson, Hancock's employee, has given us permission to meet at the Hancock's on Hanley & Pershall Road, on the 4th Saturday of each month, at 9:30 AM till closing.

Next meeting: January 24th

Bring your machine and finish up those UFO's or get help with a project.

Special Projects Committee

Karen Lubbert & Kathy Harrison

The theme for the June 2009 Challenge is: Flower Valley "Blooms". This can be interpreted literally, figuratively, metaphorically. Again, any size entry, with ribbons to the sizes we had this year. (miniature/petite, wall, bed-size, and wearables) as well as appliqué, embellishment, and interpretation of theme.

JOURNAL QUILTS

Karen Luebbert E-Mail: kluebbert1@earthlink.net

The idea of a Journal Quilt started in Houston with Karey Bresnahan, and while I've never witnessed the display in person, I've been interested in the idea for many years now, and toyed with the idea of suggesting it to Guild. Basically, they are small pieces, where the creator has an idea, a germ of an idea, or perhaps an issue to work through. You could create your own theme for a series, or do one-of-a-kinds every time. The journaling part comes into play by writing about your intentions, your vision, working through it and how you grew from it. We decided on a size: 8.5 x 11' (page-size..I'm not bringing a ruler though), simply to keep it on the small side and do-able. There was concern about doing this every month, but one doesn't have to participate every month; okay if you do, okay if you don't, but the opportunity to share your work will be open every month. This is all about personal growth and experimentation. If you've always wanted to try a new technique, here's the venue. If art quilts seem like something somebody else would do, take baby steps, or simply keep it traditional. Play with fusibles or metallic threads, unusual fabrics or materials, try ribbon embroidery, applique', dimensional flowers, redwork, embellishments, or paper-piecing. Play with the ideas of sandwiching, and binding, or lack of. Get creative- there are so many paths of visual expression and there's not a right or wrong way. I have my days where I don't feel like standing up in front of Guild, and I know there are many of you out there who don't do Show'n Tell for that very reason. I propose that we do this as a Display of work every month, laid out on a table, and let the work speak for itself. If one feels compelled to share verbally, that's wonderful, snag it from the table during Show'n Tell and speak about it then. The possibilities are endless!

RETREAT

Jane Coons E-Mail: stlcoons@charter.net

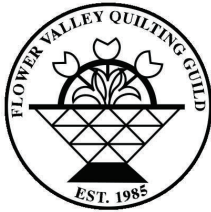
The 2009 FVQG retreat is open to non-members. If members know of anyone interested in joining us, please have them contact Jane Coons (636-532-3227) or Jennifer English (314-355-1372). There is a registration form included within this newsletter. All fees are to be paid in full.

INFORMATION REGARDING MAGIC TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

If you are taking the class Magic Trip Around The World, you will need to purchase the pattern, Magic Trip Around The World by Beverly Ingram, Quilter Dream, publishers. Barb Bolesta will be ordering the pattern at a discount for all who have signed up for the class. She will have them for the January meeting.

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Next Newsletter Deadline:
January 21, 2009

Calendar of Events

Quilt Expo 2009

Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis
March 20th - 22nd
Greensfelder Recreation Complex in Queeny Park
550 Weidman Road
Ballwin, MO

Artist's/Quilter's Website

Marty Knorr traveled to North Carolina over the holidays and had the opportunity to visit this gifted artist's solo show. Please visit her website.

<http://www.nancygcook.com>

BUY FABRIC IN YOUR JAMMIES!

Here are a few of my favorite links.

www.craftconn.com - Enter coupon code QWF7HC for 10% off any one order

www.cottonpatchfabrics.com

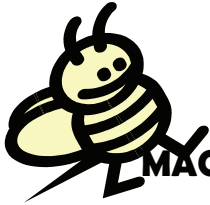
www.equilter.com

www.stitchinheaven.com

www.fabshophop.com - links to hundred of online shops

VALLEY GIRLS BUZZ (RETREAT)

February 20—22, 2009



JITTERBUZZ - taught by Jane Coons

or

MAGIC TRIP AROUND THE WORLD - taught by LeeEtta Bryant

Or

DOP—Do Your Own Project



This year's retreat will be held at:
Mercy Center
2039 North Geyer Road
St. Louis, MO 63131

For a map and more information go to:

<http://www.mercycenterstl.org/aboutus.asp>

The cost of the retreat is listed below, which includes two nights lodging, three meals on Saturday, two meals on Sunday, as well as snacks on Saturday and Sunday (no meals on Friday). (NOTE: Breakfast is not served for commuters). Payments can be made in one lump sum or paid in three equal payments as follows:

1st payment due with Oct. 20th reservation
2nd payment due by November 20 meeting
3rd payment due by January 4, 2009

Private Room.....\$180.00 (\$60/\$60/\$60)
Two in a Room.....\$150.00 (\$50/\$50/\$50)
Commuter\$110.00 (\$40/\$40/\$30)

The fee will not be refunded after the November 20th guild meeting because we start buying supplies soon after that date. The complete cancellation policy will be handed out at the November meeting with the supply list.

We're looking forward to seeing you at the BUZZ! . . . The Retreat Committee

Please mail the bottom portion (and keep the top for your reference) to:

Jennifer English . . . 4325 Marion Gardens . . . Florissant, MO 63034

Valley Girls BUZZ 2009 Reservation Form

Name _____

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ Yes, I will be spending Friday and Saturday night at the retreat.
- ☐ I would like to room by myself (the Retreat Committee will try to accommodate everyone who wants a private room, however, private rooms are limited).
- ☐ I will room with someone, but don't currently have a roommate in mind.
- ☐ I do have a roommate in mind. That person is _____.
- ☐ I am paying the full amount at one time. My total is ☐ \$180 ☐ \$150 ☐ \$110

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE OF PROJECT:

JITTER BUZZ

MAGIC TRIP

DOP (Do Your Own Project)

Please mail the bottom of this form with your check made out to Flower Valley Quilting Guild.

Due to more reservations than there are spaces
**YOUR RESERVATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO EARLIER THAN
OCTOBER 20, 2008**